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## WORLD'S FAIR CONTROVERSY.

In conversation with Hon. W. T. Thornton, president of the New Mexico World's Columbian fair commission, that gentleman said yesterday:

"We propose to proceed at once, as you will see by our notice of meetings published in today's New Mexican, to every county in the territory for the purpose of organizing the work in the several departments. As you know, we held a meeting a few days ago in Las Cruces, where we met the Commercial club, and had this club to call a meeting of the citizens of the county for Tuesday of last week, at which meeting I was present, and explained the program of procedure marked out by the board. This program was unanimously endorsed by resolution; \$415 was at once subscribed by the gentlemen present to aid the work in that county, and the assurance given that \$2,000 would be raised, if necessary. The club agreed to earnestly aid the work and give personal attention to the collection of the exhibit in that county. We intend to proceed in the same manner in the other counties, and hope to meet with like success."

"Speaking of the meeting in Las Cruces, what have you to say about Mrs. Bartlett's resignation?"

"Nothing, except that it was a surprise to me, and that I deeply regret it, as I realize that she was the most zealous, active and faithful worker connected with the World's fair from this territory, and knowing that it would be difficult to secure any one to take her place we declined to accept her resignation, hoping that she might be induced to recall it."

"Did not the action of the board compel her to take the step she did to save her self respect?"

"No, the board has always been partial to her and has given her at her request much work to do outside of the ordinary woman's work."

"What about the action of the board in appointing joint committees in San Miguel county? Was not this in violation of the original agreement for a subdivision of the work?"

"No; what was done was simply to authorize one financial committee instead of two in San Miguel county, and this was at the written request of the county commissioners of that county, of the Commercial club of Las Vegas, of the trustees of East Las Vegas, and a large number of influential persons of that county. The action did not affect any other county, and we could not have declined to allow the people of San Miguel to do the work in their own way without practically stopping the work in that great county. This action was not to affect any money already raised or the organization of the several committees of the lady managers; each was to prosecute in her own way, and with her own committees, the work assigned them."

"Mrs. Bartlett tendered her resignation before the vote was taken, not, as some seem to think, of her position of lady manager, but of the special work given her by the board at her request. Her position as lady manager is in no way affected, and I am informed she is now in San Juan county prosecuting this work with her usual zeal and good sense."

"I desire to say right here that no ill natured flings, either of individuals or of the press, can force me into a position of partisanship in this matter. I have a duty to perform and I feel that the interests of New Mexico in the World's fair exhibit are too great to be jeopardized by taking part in petty quarrels."

## CROP REPORTS.

SANTA FE, April 20, 1892.

Editor FREE PRESS:—One of the principal lines of work of the territorial weather service for the coming season will be regular crop reports, and for this purpose additional correspondents are desired at once. It is desired that every section of the territory be represented by an active correspondent, who is willing to make reports weekly upon the proper blanks furnished by this office, of the condition of all growing crops; fruits, when in bloom, how setting, prospect of the yield, condition of alfalfa, when first cuttings are made, estimated amount per acre; how water is holding out for irrigation; condition of grass on the ranges, and condition of cattle, sheep, etc.

These reports will be collected at this office and a summary of same issued either weekly, semi-monthly or monthly, a copy of which will be mailed each correspondent, and furnished to the press for publication; a brief summary will also be telegraphed weekly to Washington, to be embodied in the regular weekly national crop bulletin of the agricultural department, which is published in nearly all the important papers in the United States. The benefits that may result to this territory are too evident to need recounting here.

All persons willing to act as correspondents in this work will please apply to the undersigned, who will furnish the necessary blanks and a supply of franked envelopes and full instructions.

I trust that I may rely upon the assistance and co-operation of the territorial press in this work. Very truly yours,

H. B. HERSEY,

Director N. M. Weather Service.

## A YARN.

Three gentlemen of a scientific turn of mind went to the Springs yesterday to investigate the caves there. Having descended the shaft, they entered the subterranean cavern, and being fascinated by the beautiful spars and iridescent gems which surrounded them, they passed a resolution to perambulate further.

One of the gentlemen, being of a more determined spirit than the rest, and having the interest of the American Microscopical Geological Archeological Association at heart, proceeded to the extremity of the cavern and crawled into a fissure there.

"Bill," he shouted to one of the boys behind him, "I've got a beauty."

"What is it, Joe?"

"It's a gold nugget, Bill."

"Let me see it," said Robert Thomas, as he poked his nose into unutterable darkness.

"By gosh!" says Joe, "I can't get out. Pull me out, boys."

So Bill tugged at one foot and Bob at the other, but he wouldn't budge—or if he did he would spring back again like a piece of elastic. They then caught hold of his coat tail and seat of his unmentionables, but their efforts were useless.

Billy Hoffman was about to give it up for a bad job.

Robert Thomas was so exhausted as to be obliged to sit down.

"Try again," cried Joe, "try again;"

and the boys tried, and were surprised to find how easy it was to draw him out.

The truth of it was Joe Gymer caught hold of a rock to keep himself there, and the boys came home and reported how Joe got wedged into a cave and had to be extracted.

## ALBUQUERQUE C. C. BUILDING OPENED.

The Democrat gives the following account of the opening of the magnificent \$65,000 building of their Commercial club:

The formal opening of the Albuquerque Commercial club building last evening outstripped in brilliancy, elegance and magnificence all other social events that have taken place in the broad expanse of the southwest.

All preparations were carefully made, as became the imposing event, and the details were carried out most accurately. Not the slightest jar was apparent anywhere and every circumstance conspired to make the occasion a glittering success. Even the heavens were auspicious, and Old Sol came out in all his grandeur and gave us the most beautiful, balmy day of the season.

The attendance of lovely women and distinguished men, many of them guests of the occasion invited from their far-away homes, was large and, under a generous glare of electricity in the spacious halls of the club building, formed a beautiful panoramic scene never to be forgotten. Never before had such a general or successful effort at elaborate costuming been made in this city, and the effect was simply bewildering. Taste, suitable effect, elegance and grace were noticeable in the costumes on every hand.

The music, by the Fort Wingate band, was superb, and the viands and wines, that were temptingly spread in the banquet hall on the first floor, could not be excelled.

At 9 o'clock the orchestra announced the grand march, and the dancing continued until 11 o'clock, when the banquet was served.

In a neat address President Childers embodied a short sketch of the institution and its purposes.

There were many present from other places, but we see only the names of A. M. Blackwell and wife and Dr. W. R. Tipton from Las Vegas.

## A LIVE BIRD SHOOT.

There will be held on the ground of the Las Vegas Rod and Gun club on Saturday afternoon, April 30th, a live bird shoot for members of the club only. About 150 birds will be set at liberty. Prices of birds will be determined on the grounds. American association rules to govern.

A. R. QUINLY, Sec'y.

It is not always the most conspicuous persons who are the most important and the same thing applies sometimes to business. We are reminded of this by seeing the immense business done by the firm of Myer Friedman & Bro. Their teams are kept busy all the time hauling and delivering goods and with their speciality, wool, soon to come into the market, their ware house would seem too small to accommodate their business, which now fills it.

The first issue of El Hispano-Americano, the paper moved here from Socorro and which succeeds to El Sol de Mayo, was issued today. It is a neat 7-column paper.

The ladies interested in the World's fair have been invited to be present at the Men's county organization this evening at the Montezuma club rooms at 8 o'clock.

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